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THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY

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Large Print Newsletter & Hymns: Chairs with arms: are all available on request if you need them

EIGHTEENTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME (A 2 Psalter 2)

PENZANCE

1st Mass of Sunday on Saturdays 5 p.m.

Sat 1 August

Mass 5.00 p.m. *Freedom for the People of Iran*

Sun 2 August

Mass 11.00 a.m. *Parish and People*

Mon 3 August 8.30 Private Mass *Edith Delores Bird RIP*

Thu 6 August **The Transfiguration of the Lord**

Mass 10.00 a.m. *Gwen Byrne Intentions*

Watch and Pray after Mass until 12noon

Fri 7 August 8.30 **Private Mass**

Bernie Redpath & Family

1st Mass of Sunday on Saturdays 5 p.m.

Sat 8 August

Mass 5.00 p.m. *Nineteenth Sunday in O.T*
Fran & Patrick Stone RIP

Sun 9 August

Mass 11.00 a.m. *Mark Baigent RIP*

ST IVES

Sun 2 August

Mass 9.00 a.m. *Eric Reeves RIP*

Wed 5 August

Mass 10.00 a.m. followed by Holy Rosary
Florence Tobin Intentions

Sun 9 August

Mass 9.00 a.m. *Parish and People*

HAYLE

1st Mass of Sunday on Saturdays 6.30 p.m.

Sat 1 August

Mass 6.30 p.m. *Tony Bawden RIP*

Tue 4 August **St John Vianney (Cure d'Ars)**

Mass 10.00 a.m. followed by Exposition -noon
Edwin Redpath RIP

Sat 8 August

Mass 6.30 p.m. *Fr. Gerard Mary Intentions*

ISLES OF SCILLY

At the moment and for the foreseeable future, our little church will remain closed.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August

The Maritime World – for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

For all our parishioners: For evangelisation in the parish. For all across the world caught up in natural disaster and Corona virus, and NHS & all emergency and vital workers and services. For all remaining in isolation.

For all on our Sacramental programmes of Journey in Faith: First Reconciliation and Holy Communion, & Confirmation. May the Lord strengthen them as they await the time we can all be together again

For all on holiday: may it be a time for recreations, rest and renewal. For all who provide for holiday makers in any way

Our own sick, housebound & those in Hospitals or Hospice: Ray & Christine Blaker, Lynda Cripps, Christine Bunt, Tom Dauncey Jnr, Jackie Corsi, Sue Rowies, Hugo (3), Tony Noonan, Caroline Schofield, Grace Bailey, Fr. Richard Finn O.P. Kathy & Bob Carr, Roy Mulholland, Patsy & John Stevens, John Chamberlain, Christine Knowles, Sheila Devey. Elliot Slade, Lisa Thomas, Eileen Carson, Tony King, Daniel McWilliams, Len Hall, Dee Pascoe, Carrie Williams, Margaret & Norman Woolcock, Janet Honess, Basil Carey, Liesel Young, Agnes Boggis, Maura O'Toole, Bridget & Rosie Jasper, & all feeling lonely in the present on-going crisis.

For those who have died esp. Aidas Bucnis and for all who mourn.

Sweet August doth appear! Can it be August already?

We know it is, yet this year has been very strange so far Cardinal Nichols says 'life is far from normal.'

It is a continued joy to be back for Mass. Last weekend numbers were much the same, with a few of us missing, and a few visitors to make over 160 across the parish. We fully realise very many are remaining in isolation, or feel nervous about coming out to meet groups of people. Our churches are as safe as we can make them. We still welcome other volunteers, both as stewards and in Penzance and Hayle as cleaners.

Each time **anyone at all** is in the building & touching anything (and it is amazing how much we do unwittingly touch) it has to be cleaned. Stewards must be present on all occasions, and are there to direct you. Thorough cleaning must be done after each opening. No one else should enter the building at any other time. For the time being Mass will be shorter than usual. We all need to be very careful. All the rules still apply. The last thing we want is to have to close and go into isolation, because we have not been vigilant and careful. We still need to sign in each week, which we have made much easier to do; just a simple tick, unless you are a visitor or have not been since lockdown.

I know that most, if not all of us miss some music. Congregational singing is still not allowed. Wind instruments are also not to be used. The largest wind instrument is of course the organ, which blows air through the pipes to make the sound. Air circulating is to be avoided, except fresh air!

I know many watch live-stream Masses, and you do find some singing, and some organs used, and we wonder why if there, not here? Some reason may be that the organs used are electronic, so no air is passing through pipes, as they don't have pipes. Other places where singing with a soloist or choir, well-spaced out, may also not be "public occasions" For example Westminster Cathedral Vespers and Benediction is a closed door occasion, and only the clergy, who all live together in the clergy house take part, and act as server, reader, cantors and officiant. That was true for St James, Spanish Place on St James Day.

A complication here also is the organ in Pz is large and most weekends at least 3 different people play. A thorough clean of handrails, stops manuals and pedals would have to take place each time someone else uses it.

In the Catholic Church it is the Mass that should be sung. So until now we always sang the Acclamations, Alleluia, Sanctus, Memorial Acclamation at all Masses. Sunday Masses also included singing the Kyrie, Gloria, Credo (11 a.m.) Sanctus and Agnus Dei. Hymns and other music are 'extra's. 'We will work on it, as we are very much aware how 'cold' it can seem.

The instructions for other services are not always clear. **For Funerals** it says only family and close friends to total 30, and additional people such as an organist, vergers/sacristan, sound system operator should not attend. For weddings, numbers to be the same, 30. it says music can be played if pre-recorded or an organist may play. No congregational singing, and music should not prolong the ceremony. "It is advised that the ceremonies and services should be concluded in the shortest reasonable time".

There is always a place for Silence. Next week, I will have some notes on the 'Place of Silence in the Liturgy.'

It is for everyone's safety. All our lives matter.

Confessions/Reconciliation: Our confessionals are not user friendly because of social distancing. The easiest is to make a phone appointment, and we can arrange to meet either in church when empty or outside. For Canon David still use Presbytery phone and arrangements can be made.

Visits with H.C. to the sick and housebound are possible again though with extreme caution on either side. I will slowly get round to the many on the list. This does not apply to those who are still remaining in Isolation. That very fact means visitors are excluded.

Adult Baptism & Receptions can now take place, and will be on Sunday 20 September, at the 11 Mass. We shall as all Masses at the moment in Pz limited to 72.

Apologies, but some will be seeing this for the first time

CHURCHES OPEN AGAIN FOR MASS.

Please be aware and respectful of each other. ALWAYS KEEP A SAFE & RESPECTFUL DISTANCE

The Churches open half an hour before Mass, and closed soon after. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays is still suspended, so if you are or feel vulnerable there is no obligation. We shall need to keep an eye on how many we can accommodate, as social distancing must be applied. **In all cases come prepared with a face covering or mask, so that we can go for 1 metre+**

Hands MUST be properly sanitised on entry by alcohol based gel. The Stewards will deal with this. (If you wish to have your own gel, that is fine, but the stewards will need to see it applied when you enter.) **This is essential.**

Until further instruction is given, there will be no congregational singing during the Mass.

The Newsletter is available, with the readings and parts of the Mass printed on it. **YOU pick it up and take home** or put in the bin after. They are not to be reused by others. In Pz there are some children's sheets for them during Mass.

In all churches please DO NOT USE THE KNEELERS

During the Eucharistic Prayer stand, or if you need to, sit.

In St Ives and Penzance the lower floors are out –of-bounds. Those toilets cannot be used.

In Pz the outside toilet will be unlocked for an emergency.

Please place your collection money in the baskets on entry/exit and this must be overseen by the stewards for security. It helps, if you can pay directly into the bank. Speak to Fr P or Christine about this, as it is important to help our parish running costs.

Holy Communion is given in silence and on the hand only, with the communicant standing. When you approach do so with arms at "full stretch," your hands, palms upwards, one on top of the other, should be extended as flatly as possible. Having received Holy Communion move back to your pew in a socially spaced manner.

Helpful Mask Advice at Holy Communion time:

When removing your mask to consume the host, please remember to slip the elastic off one ear and return it again without touching the front of the mask with your hand. Touching the part of the mask that you are breathing through with your hand is where you are at most risk of picking up and then passing on the virus to surfaces that other people will also touch.

Dial-a-Mass. Middlesbrough Diocese in conjunction with the Knights of St Columba began this for the benefit of those who do not have the internet or computer. The Mass is recorded and put on telephone at 12 noon on a Sunday and will stay until 11.59 the next Sunday. For the cost of a local call you can listen to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. **Ring 01642 130120** Please let anyone you know who think would like to know about this service.

200 Club. The winners: 1st Prize £150; Neil McFadden **2nd £100:** Michael Scoble **3rd 5 of £20;** Judy Ollis, Len Evans, Ann Hargreaves, Shirley Bishop, Margaret Henderson. **4th 10 of £10** Maria Hall, Jo Shergold, Stephen Harris, Gaye Wood, Mary Legg, Trish Heath, Mia Perren, Helen Curnow, Christine Pearce, Cathy Faulkner. Congratulations to all our winners. YOU may be lucky next time, but you have to be a member, so join up today. The 200 Club is primarily a fund raiser for the whole parish. There are quite a few spare numbers, and you can have more than one. If you haven't joined yet consider it now; for we all benefit, and you may win! The Annual Subscription is £18 and you are welcome to send contributions in to the Presbytery. Cheques payable to Penwith RC 200 Club.